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### Comments

*Justice* was the official publication of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union ILGWU from 1919 to 1995. Editions of *Justice* were published in English, Italian, Spanish, and Yiddish. When compared side by side, the content of some of these different editions of *Justice* shows significant differences. This is the English-language edition of *Justice*.



# Vets in All States Query on ILG Home Loan Fund

Within ten days of the announcement on Sept. 26 that the ILGWU is making \$20 million of welfare and general union funds available for investment in Veterans Administration housing mortgage loans, inquiries have been received from

every one of the 48 states by the Chase National Bank, which is acting as the mortgage management agent for the union. The announcement by Pres. Dubinsky of the decision of the union to make this investment has been hailed editorially throughout the country.

Typical of scores of comments in the press was the editorial in the Sept. 28 issue of the Akron Beacon Journal which declared in part:

"The ILGWU has a record of stability and service to its members that is outstanding in the nation. Union leaders have fought off Communists and racketeers. They have set up a welfare program that is a model for other organizations."

## 'Constructive Step'

In Washington, Albert M. Cole, head of the Federal Housing and Home Finance Agency, called the action by the ILGWU a "heartening and constructive step." In a telegram to Pres. Dubinsky, Administrator Cole said:

"You have taken a heartening and constructive step forward in investing pension, welfare and general union funds in VA mortgages, and I am happy to learn you are proposing to invest in FHA mortgages. This action will tend to ease the mortgage credit situation, and thus facilitate home building.

"The reservoir of pension and welfare funds in this country is now so large that significant social and economic effects can ensue if others follow your example, as I hope they will.

"The investment of such funds in government-insured mortgages achieves a triple purpose—it meets the conservative tests which all trustees must apply to themselves; it insures an adequate return; it brings about an admirable and result since it channels capital into a field where the benefits are apt to be felt immediately and by many people, namely prospective homeowners.

"I have long been an advocate of this course of action for the long range. In particular, I hope the homeowners who will benefit will be in the lower price field,

## Stimulus Seen

At a special press conference on Sept. 27, New York State Housing Commissioner Joseph P. McMurray hailed the ILGWU decision as a momentous stimulus toward the production of urgently needed housing for middle income families.

"This is just what is needed at this time," McMurray said, "to bolster a faltering home-building rate." Then, referring to recent pressure by the Republican Administration in Washington to ease housing credit, he stated: "This action, which will bring results, stands in dramatic contrast to the ineffectiveness and politically motivated 1 and 2 per cent point manipulations of low price FHA sale houses, down payments and FHA discounts.

"Knowing Mr. Dubinsky and his high social interest, I feel certain that the mortgage loans that are made by the bank for his union will be on terms of sound construction and good value in terms of their price.

"The ILGWU decision," McMurray concluded, "is the first major break in the middle income housing log jam. It will encourage others to contribute to the solution of this serious housing problem. Furthermore, it will give new life to the homebuilding industry, which presently shows signs of reaching a shot in the arm."

## 2,000 Family Homes

ILGWU Controller Alexander Bookstaver has already started the review of investment recommendations being made by the bank. It is estimated that the initial investment of \$20 million will result in the construction of about 2,000 single family homes for veterans.

In the lead story of its real estate section on Oct. 7, the New York Times noted that, "the action of the current workers' union has raised the prospect of a substantial increase in the supply of mortgage money through investment by other labor unions and institutions generally."

## New York GARMENT CENTER LABOR RALLY

for

## STEVENSON-KEE AUVER-WAGNER

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## Noon

## Speakers:

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David Dubinsky

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# STEVENSON SEEN GAINING IN PRESIDENTIAL RACE

By AL ZACK

WASHINGTON—Adlai E. Stevenson is narrowing the gap as the presidential campaign swings into the final month.

That was the chief impression of this reporter who covered the "Joe Smith Special" through seven states during a five-day campaign swing.

At this point in the campaign, Stevenson has fractured the myth of Eisenhower invincibility. Whether he can pass the five-star general in the stretch drive is the big question of the campaign.

Already there are signs of panic in the Eisenhower camp. The careful plans of GOP National Chairman Leonard Hall have been knocked out. Instead of a schedule of six television speeches, the President is talking to the political hootings. Despite his announced aversion to a whistle-stop scrap, that is what the Republican Presidential candidate is going to do.

This GOP change in plans is a direct result of Stevenson's campaign, in which he has swung hard at Eisenhower directly. The GOP had banked on the belief that Eisenhower was "Mr. Politically Untouchable."

Stevenson has proven he isn't and the GOP change in plan is exactly the result the Stevenson camp wanted.

The strategy is clear. It is an accepted political

truism that Eisenhower is personally more popular than the Republican Party.

Campaigning as a Republican politician, rather than remaining in the seclusion of the White House, Eisenhower is expected by the Democrats to once again embrace GOP politicians who have fought his own program.

Thus, Stevenson supporters believe, it will be easier to wrap the shroud of the Republican Party around Eisenhower's own shoulders. At the same time, Stevenson has wrapped the mantle of the Democratic Party around himself.

He characterized the difference between the parties in these words, when he addressed 8,000 people gathered in the central square in Providence, R. I.

"The difference between the two parties can be stated very simply. When the Republican leaders think of economic problems, they see a ledger and a cashbook. When Democrats think of economic problems, they see men, women and children."

The "new America," for which he is fighting, Stevenson says, is "a land where the human being is more important than the dollar sign."

It is a popular campaign approach. Buttressed by a thoughtful, carefully stated bill of particulars on all the major issues, the Stevenson emphasis on domestic questions is winning supporters.

In Massachusetts and Rhode Island, late last week, Stevenson hammered away at the record which proves the Eisenhower prosperity slogan to be hollow.

Stevenson paints a portrait of Eisenhower as a front for big business, saying that the Eisenhower Administration has "followed a policy of making the big bigger."

In contrast, Stevenson contends "government must not be controlled by big business."

Eisenhower, he says, is incapable of checking the big business control of his Administration. In 1952, he recalls, many people thought Eisenhower "was a different kind of Republican."

But, he adds, "an old elephant is like an old dog—you can't teach it new tricks."

In the industrial states of New England, as in the Pennsylvania distressed areas Stevenson visited earlier in the week, there is no prosperity. There is much suffering.

Stevenson says he believes in "giving the people the hard facts and the hard decisions; trusting their sobriety and their judgment; regarding them not as customers of government, to be sold, but as owners of government, to run their own affairs."

In the seven states this reporter covered, the "owners of government" are busy making up their minds. They'll announce their decision at the polls on Nov. 6.

## ILGWU Campaign Committee

## YOUR MIGHT vs. THEIR MILLIONS

Under federal law, you cannot give more than \$5,000 in one calendar year to any one candidate, to a committee for a candidate, or to a national committee. However, there's no federal or state limit on your total number of contributions. You may give to as many candidates or committees as your checkbook can stand. And you can make contributions in the name of your wife or children to avoid the individual limitations.

THE Republicans are really dishing out the dollars! They are outpacing the Democrats 4 to 1!

They may not have the *people* on their side, but they certainly have the *money* on their side. And it costs plenty to conduct a national election campaign.



Above is a tip-off, from the Sept. 22 issue of Business week, on how to give to your favorite political party. Under this

When it comes to money, the Republican Administration backers have little to worry about. If the contributors to their campaign fund are smaller in number, the contributions are huge. And despite what you may hear about a limit to how much a person may contribute, don't believe it! There is no limit!

formula—you can give—your wife can give—your children can give and your children's children can give.

So, if you can spare a couple of thousand dollars, don't hesitate. It's all legal. In fact the foregoing clipping shows the way some Republican supporters came to the aid of their party in 1952, according to a Senate hearing reported in the New York Times of Oct. 9, 1956.

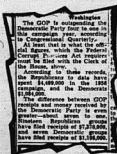
This tells why your dollar or two, contributed to the ILGWU 1956 Campaign Committee, is of top importance. There must be enough smaller contributions to make up for the few overwhelming ones coming in for the other side.

Your dollars must outweigh such contributions as more than \$48,000 from two members of one family or more than \$150,000 from six members of another family.

And they're giving again this year, as the Christian Science Monitor (above) pointed out this month.

Support the ILGWU 1956 Campaign Committee!

Your voluntary contribution can help elect Adlai Stevenson President and Estes Kefauver Vice President. It can help elect liberal, public-spirited Senators and Congressmen.



**Every dollar counts! Give now—give generously!**

# Garment Workers Push Adlai-Estes Campaign

## AFL-CIO Ethics Unit Airs Charges Against Three Groups Under Cloud

Three AFL-CIO affiliated unions have been given full hearings to determine whether or not they have violated the anti-corruption policy of the united labor movement.

The hearings, conducted by the AFL-CIO Ethics Practices Committee, were held early this month as a result of action taken by the AFL-CIO Executive Council in August of its

meeting in Unity House, when ILGWU Pres. David Dubinsky, as acting head of the committee in the absence of Chairman Al Hayes, presented a report cracking down on these three affiliates.

The council ordered the committee "to find the facts" and report back as to whether and to what extent the unions had violated the strong policy statement on corruption. The committee will not make its findings public until it reports to the next council meeting.

Involved in the hearings were the Distillery, Rectifying and Wine Workers, which had been ordered by the Executive Council to show (Continued on Page 9)

### BAY STATE PRESSES ALL-OUT POLL DRIVE

A concerted drive is underway in Massachusetts to elect Democratic national and state candidates, with the Boston Joint Board members working in close cooperation with those of the Northeast Department, reports Vice Pres. Philip Kramer.

In addition to backing the Stevenson-Kefauver ticket, area unionists are boosting Jackson J. Hollis for Congress from 10th Congressional District, and Foster Purcell for Governor. In the Democratic primary, Purcell polled the largest vote ever given to a gubernatorial candidate.

With the 1956 election only three weeks away, garment workers throughout the nation are completing registration drives and are beginning to concentrate on "get-out-the-vote" campaigns. ILGWU Campaign Committees in many

areas have staged registration rallies and have participated in mass gatherings at which Adlai Stevenson and Estes Kefauver, on their cross-country tours, have been hailed most enthusiastically.

Putting manpower against money, ILGWU campaigners have also carried the appeal for voluntary contributions to campaign funds into

their communities, their shops, among their friends and co-workers. The funds thus raised are being used in behalf of national candidates as well as state and local nominees who, by record and performance, have demonstrated their devotion to liberal government.

In Midwest, New England, West Coast and Southern garment centers where membership concentrations are modest or small, meetings have been held to explain local and national issues. In the larger cities, organized demonstrations have dramatized the need to register and to support the liberal candidates.

In New York City, the Trade Union Council of the Liberal Party has served as the center through which ILGWU efforts as well as the activities of other trade unions in the city have been coordinated, according to Charles S. Zimmerman, (Continued on Page 9)

"Never Mind—We'll Tell You What to Do!"



### LOCAL 91 ACTIVITIES AIDING FIRST VOTERS

A campaign by New York Children's Dress Local 91 to instruct Spanish-speaking members voting for the first time in the completion of sample literacy tests has salvaged a considerable number of potential votes that otherwise would have been lost, reports Vice Pres. Harry Greenberg, local manager.

Supplementing their full-scale support for Stevenson-Kefauver-Wagner, Local 91 members recently staged a noon-hour outdoor rally in downtown Manhattan at which the Local 91 chorum rendered songs and at which leaflets and leaflets were distributed.

# New York Garment Workers All-Out for Wagner

## Dress Session Hears Wagner Hit Javits on Do-Nothingism

Mayor Robert F. Wagner, Democratic-Liberal nominee for U. S. Senator, lambasted his opponent as a "do-nothing Congressman" and a "do-nothing Attorney-General" who had failed to exercise his authority to fight discrimination.

Wagner told a cheering audience of 1,500 dressmakers at Manhattan Center on Oct. 3 that Jacob K. Javits had opposed a Democratic bill to give the State Commission Against Discrimination power to file complaints in the courts against biased employers.

Javits, the Mayor said, opposed the bill on the grounds that, as Attorney-General, he had the power to file such complaints. Mr. Javits, Wagner charged, "has not filed a single complaint."

Vice Pres. Charles S. Zimmerman, manager of Local 25, in introducing Wagner, pointed out that "we need to give Stevenson and Kefauver a Senate and House of Representatives with which they can work."

### Repeal Taft-Hartley

"In Bob Wagner," Zimmerman said, "we have a man who will fight for the repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act."

Declaring that Javits "wants a promotion on the basis of embracing Tricky Dick Nixon," Zimmerman noted that in the past "we supported Javits on his promises. But there has been no performance."

Zimmerman introduced Wagner to the audience as the man who "made civil rights meaningful in New York City."

Mayor Wagner reiterated his plea for free arms to Israel, "our only friend in that part of the world." He warned we ought not allow the Middle Eastern democracy to "suffer, break in the effort to pay for arms desperately needed for self-defense."

The Mayor said his opponent was elected in 1946 to the Republican-controlled 80th Congress, which was tagged by former President Truman as "do-nothing." Javits earned his title then, the Mayor said.

### Cloak Finishers Map Plans For Election Drive Windup

Ben Davidson, executive director of the Liberal Party, stressed the need for working people and their families to register, enroll Liberal and get out the vote on election day, at the membership meeting of Local 9, Cloak Finishers, on Oct. 10.

Local 9 Manager Harry Fisher added his voice to the plea for a peak registration and outlined further plans of cloak finishers' political activities in the closing weeks of the campaign.

## ILG UNITS SPEARHEAD NEW ENGLAND SWELL FOR ADLAI, KEFAUVER

It's Stevenson and Kefauver from the word "go" in New England, and ILGWU affiliates are going all the way, spearheading a united labor movement campaign in that region.

Some 400 representatives of 26 unions got going last month as a United Labor Education Conference in Fall River, Mass., and their non-stop campaign "for a better tomorrow" is taking its cue from the establishment of a permanent organization to coordinate political and educational activities.

In addition to backing the national ticket, the conference, chaired by ILGWU Southern New England Manager Fred Simms, endorsed Edward P. Doolan, member of the Textile Workers Union, for Congress and drew up plans for an active campaign in his behalf. Doolan is running against Congressman Joseph W. Martin Jr., Republican minority leader in the House.

In Boston, ILGWU leaders are attending to many details in preparation for the forthcoming drive for Adlai Stevenson. Among those on the arrangements committee are Vice Pres. Philip Kramer and Manager Mary Levin.

In his recent swing through New England, Stevenson was greeted in Springfield, Mass., by hundreds of ILGWU carrying signs and banners and cheering him as his motorcade headed for a mass meeting of labor-delegates in the municipal auditorium.

In charge of arrangements for the Springfield ILGWU Campaign Committee were Rick Blase, Jack Albano and Norman Eiger.

### Giving Wagner a Hand



Manager Murray Gross of Local 66 (left) assures New York's Mayor Robert F. Wagner, Liberal-Democratic candidate for U. S. Senator, of all-out union support for his election. At recent local meeting, Wagner pledged to work for social security improvement and repeal of Taft-Hartley Act.

## Wagner Pledges at '66' Meet To Back Higher Pay, Pensions

New York's Mayor Robert F. Wagner, Liberal-Democratic candidate for U. S. Senator, pledged his support for increases in the minimum wage and social security benefits at a membership meeting last week of Local 66, Bonnaz and Pieters.

He further promised that, if elected, he would work for repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act and elimination of the 50-year age requirement for benefits to the permanently disabled.

A remark by Manager Murray Gross that Local 66 members represent a background of 80 nationalities prompted the Mayor to declare that he favors a strong civil rights program, in contrast to the weak position taken by the Republicans.

The election of Stevenson and Kefauver, Wagner reminded his ILGWU audience, will also bring about a change in the National Labor Relations Board which, under the present Administration, leans heavily toward big business interests.

In his address, Manager Gross also ensured the big business sympathies of the Eisenhower Administration and warned that a vote for Eisenhower is a vote for Nixon.

### Showering Their Support for Estes



The rains came but so did throngs of ILGWU as they staged lunchtime rally for Estes Kefauver in Los Angeles' garment district. Congressman J. Lee Roosevelt and City Councilman Edward R. Royle also addressed the crowd.

## WAGNER ACCLAIMED BY CLOAK OPERATORS

Mayor Robert F. Wagner, Democratic-Liberal candidate for United States Senator from New York, called for wresting the reins of government from the hands of big business and returning it to the people, at a well-attended meeting of the New York cloak operators on Oct. 10 at Manhattan Center. The enthusiastic members hailed the New York Mayor's pledge to uphold the liberal record established by retiring senator Herbert H. Lehman.

Wagner stressed the importance of pitting New York State in the lineup of states for Stevenson and of preserving the seat occupied by Senator Lehman and Robert Wagner Sr. as a liberal post.

Vice Pres. Benjamin Kaplan, manager of Local 117, reported that the fall coat and suit season was continuing very strong. With all shops working—some of them over—and with a continuing shortage of qualified operators in many shops. He called on all members to be sure to register, enroll under the Liberal Party, and vote for Stevenson, Kefauver and Wagner.

The business portion of the meeting was chaired by Ruben Zucker-

## Coast Plays Top Role; L. A. Rallies for Estes

From the border towns at the bottom of California to the topmost point of Washington State, the Pacific Coast is erupting in political fever, and wherever there are garment workers they are playing a major role in the campaign.

With the bulk of the membership in the Los Angeles area, the greatest activity is taking place in that center. While there has been a distribution of campaign materials since early in September, the political education activities had their official kick-off on Oct. 3 at a two-hour political education institute.

**Congressmen Speak**  
There, Congressman James Roosevelt and Chet Holifield, dean of House liberals, outlined to the assembled officers and shop leaders the issues of vital concern to working people.

When a last-minute shift of schedule brought Senator Kefauver into the area, the Los Angeles ILGWU Committee for Political Education arranged a rally for him in the heart of the garment district. In two mornings of intensive distribution, garment activists covered the shops with 40,000 leaflets announcing the event.

On the morning of the rally, it began to rain. However, despite the drizzle there was a large and enthusiastic crowd thronging the meeting site, which had been decorated with pictures of Stevenson and Kefauver. Thousands of buttons, the other campaign items were distributed.

Speakers Included Los Angeles City Councilman Edward R. Royle and Congressman Holifield. When Senator Kefauver appeared, he was greeted with enthusiastic acclaim, swelling in volume as he made his way through the crowd groping outstretched hands.

The nominee for Vice President, in a brief but penetrating talk, emphasized the anti-labor nature of the Eisenhower Administration.

At the Los Angeles Dress and Sportswear Joint Board Leadership Training Institute, held the weekend of Oct. 13, Congressman Roosevelt and State Senator Richard Richards, candidate for U. S.

Senator, headed a roster of prominent political figures for the evenings of political education discussions.

**Weekly Distributions**  
Leaflet distributions are planned for every week of the campaign, announcing the ILGWU Campaign Committee radio broadcasts and listing endorsements of the California Laborers' League for Political Education and the Los Angeles COPE.

**San Francisco Efforts**  
In San Francisco, intensive activity includes promotion of radio broadcasts and distribution of materials. Meetings are being planned to stimulate the entire membership into campaign work, with campaign fund-raising activities being conducted in all shops.

In Seattle, Wash., in addition to promotional activities for the broadcasts, garment workers are cooperating with the state Laborers' League for Political Education. When Senator Warren Magnuson announced on favor to win and the public power issue the most crucial for the area, the Stevenson drive has picked up tremendous momentum.

**Morse Campaign**  
The Oregon campaign is a more difficult one, because vast sums of money have been poured into a "Hate Wayne Morse" campaign by Republican forces. Portland cloak-makers have interested themselves in Labor's drive to secure victory for liberal and to build up a large margin for Stevenson.

The campaign in Utah has also reached a pitch of excitement. This "right-to-work" state is in the hands of a conservative majority, and the effort to win for the labor-endorsed ticket is more difficult, but the membership in the Salt Lake City and Provo locals are doing their utmost.

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## ILG Political Programs on 250 Stations

The three remaining radio broadcasts sponsored by the ILOWU 1956 Campaign Committee will be heard on Thursday evenings, Oct. 18, Oct. 20 and Nov. 1, on some 250 stations of the American Broadcasting Co. Check your local newspaper for the exact time and station.

Some of the stations carrying the programs are as follows:

Albany	WABC
Allentown, Pa.	WGBI
Atlanta	WGOT
Atlantic City	WMBD
Baltimore	WABC
Bethlehem, Pa.	WFEF
Boston	WYDA
Bridgport, Conn.	WNAH
Buffalo	WGB
Burlington, Vt.	WJOY
Charleston, S. C.	WHEM
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Chicago	WCFL
Cincinnati	WSAI
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Cleveland	WJW
Dallas	WVAP
Day Moines	KIOA
Detroit	WXYZ
Easton, Pa.	WABC
Elmira, N. Y.	WELM
Fall River	WVAB
Greensboro, N. C.	WCOG
Harrisburg, Pa.	WGBR
Hartford, Conn.	WFOF
Houston	KXYZ
Houston, W. Va.	WHAZ
Indianapolis	WFRM
Jackson, Miss.	WBLI
Kansas City, Mo.	WVAB
Kingston, N. Y.	WABC
Knoxville	WVAB
Lancaster, Pa.	WLAN
Little Rock	KLRA
Los Angeles	KABC
Madison, Wis.	WVLO
McAllister, Okla.	KYMC
Miami	WQAM
Minneapolis	WISN
Minneapolis	WTCN
Nashville	WELX
New Haven	WELI
Newburgh, N. Y.	WABC
Norfolk	WGBR
Oklahoma City	KTOH
Ocala, Fla.	KBOH
Philadelphia	WVAB
Pittsburgh	WVAB
Portland, Ore.	KEX
Rochester, N. Y.	WVAB
Roseton, W. Va.	WVAB
Providence	WVAB
Provo, Utah	KEX
Reading	WVAB
Richmond	WVAB
Rochester	WVAB
Rochester, N. Y.	WVAB
Sacramento	KVAB
Salt Lake City	KVAB
San Antonio	WVAB
San Francisco	WVAB
Sarasota, Fla.	WVAB
Seattle	KING
Spartanburg, S. C.	WVAB
Springfield, Ill.	WVAB
Springfield, Mass.	WVAB
St. Louis	KXOK
Stead, Conn.	WVAB
Tellico	WVAB
Washington, D. C.	WVAB
Waterbury, Conn.	WVAB
Waukegan, Wis.	WVAB
Wichita	WVAB
Wilkes-Barre	WVAB
Wilmington, Del.	WVAB
Winston, N. C.	WVAB
Worcester, Mass.	WVAB
York, Pa.	WVAB

## Politics, Trade Conditions

### At Skirt Meeting Oct. 25

New York skirtmakers will hear Gus Tyler, ILOWU political director, discuss the issues of the 1956 campaign at its membership meeting on Thursday, Oct. 25, 8 p.m., at Hotel Diplomat, 108 West 43rd St. Local 25 Manager Louis Loria, covering the update areas from Newburgh to Kingston.

# Haifa Mayor Dedicates Luigi Antonini Stadium

## Antonini Visits Antonini



It's a small world all right, as ILOWU First Vice Pres. Luigi Antonini (center) admires statue of Emperor Aurelio Antonini, Scene in Rome, where ILGers are currently on good-will tour.

## Tri-State EOTers Push Key Congress Contests

Political activities in support of the Stevenson-Kefauver national ticket, with particular emphasis on key Senatorial and Congressional races in the states of New York, Connecticut and New Jersey, are being conducted with great enthusiasm by the ILOWU 1956 Campaign Committee.

In the 34 local affiliates that comprise the Eastern Out-of-Town Department, according to Vice President Horowitz, EOT general manager.

In New York State, the Westchester, Rockland, Long Island, Poughkeepsie, Kingston, Newburgh, Troy, Glens Falls and Staten Island subdivisions of the EOT 1956 Campaign Committee are making an all-out effort for the election of Robert F. Wagner Jr., Democratic-Liberal candidate for the U. S. Congress.

**Congress Campaigns**  
In the Westchester - Rockland areas, under the leadership of Louis Hoff, EOT workers are giving all-out backing to the Liberal Party efforts in behalf of the Congressional campaign of William Wadsworth.

In the Troy area, Jack Richberger is one of the trade union leaders in the campaign to elect Louis W. O'Brien to Congress, and in Staten Island Lina Arancio is outstanding active in support of Congressional candidate Ralph D'Amico.

Under the direction of Richard Carbone, Long Island garment workers have gone all out for the election of Congress of Lester Hightman, Joseph Perrini and John Quinn, all Democratic-Liberal Party candidates for Congress. Outstanding work in behalf of Democratic-Liberal candidates is reported from William Altman, Joe Goldberg, Arnold Friedman and John Ricciardi, covering the update areas from Newburgh to Kingston.

In Connecticut, an event with-

HAIFA, Israel—With several thousand well-wishers in attendance, the 20,000-seat Luigi Antonini Stadium in Haifa was dedicated Oct. 4 at impressive ceremonies presided over by Mayor Abba Khushni.

On hand for the gala event was ILOWU First Vice Pres. Luigi Antonini, in whose honor the stadium was named, and a delegation of 19 Italian-American trade unionists, Italian-American trade unionists, part of the 50-member group currently on a good-will tour to Italy.

Antonini, lauding the achievements of Israeli democracy and its people, pledged on behalf of the ILOWU continued assistance to constructive projects benefiting young people's working population.

On their arrival in Israel, the American laborers were greeted by representatives of the U. S. and Italian Embassies and top leaders of Histadrut, the trade union federation, including General Secretary Pinhas Lavon, Ben-Zion Ben-Haim and Isaac Haim.

In Tel Aviv, they were feted at a reception in the Ramat-Aviv Hotel, at which speakers included Lavon, Antonini and U. S. Ambassador Lawrence. After the gathering, the guests were conducted on a visit to Hadassah Hospital, largest institution of its kind in the Middle East, operated by Histadrut.

On the way to Haifa, the group stopped off at the cooperative settlement of Kfar-Vilkin.

### Welcomed to Haifa

The afternoon of Oct. 4, they were welcomed officially at Haifa by Mayor Khushni, who declared, "I am happy to welcome to this city of workers who labor to create a new civilization," and pointed out that 95 per cent of the workers were affiliated with Haifa, the highest percentage of union membership in any free country.

The Mayor especially praised the audience rendered by Mrs. Dubinsky, First Vice Pres. Antonini, and the ILOWU membership in making possible the Israel-Haifa project.

### Common Cause

"As workers united by a common cause," replied Antonini, "we are deeply moved by your fraternal hospitality, and are greatly impressed by your achievements. It seems that Histadrut is the soul of Israel, and that Israel is Histadrut. We shall always take a keen interest in your future, which we hope will be ever brighter."

"I bring you heartiest greetings from David Dubinsky and all mem-

bers of the ILOWU and Italian American Labor Council."

At Nazareth, the delegation was met by the Mayor of Nazareth, Monseigneur Vergani, who was high in his praise of Israeli attainments.

### Meet With Leaders

The full 50-member group, which left New York on Sept. 21 on a month-long tour sponsored by the educational committee of the Italian American Labor Council, is busily occupied in a round of get-togethers with leading labor and civic individuals and organizations in Italy.

Highlights include testimonials arranged by free trade unions, an audience with the Pope, meetings with Premier Segni, Vice Premier Sgarbi, reception by U. S. Ambassador Luce, tour of Sicily, ceremonies at ILOWU-sponsored Franklin D. Roosevelt Institute in Mondello.

### Stevenson to Speak at Women's Session of Liberals Oct. 24

Adlai E. Stevenson, Democratic-Liberal candidate for President, will speak at a luncheon given in his honor by the Liberal Party Women's Committee for the Election of Stevenson, Kefauver and Wagner on Wednesday, Oct. 24 at Hotel Commodore in New York. It was announced by Mrs. Israel Goldstein, head of the Women's Committee.

Other speakers at the luncheon will be Eleanor Roosevelt, Herbert H. Lehman, Robert F. Wagner and Anna Rosenberg.

Maida Springer, Dress Joint Board business agent, is serving as chairman of the luncheon committee.

Reservations may be obtained at \$5 a plate from the Liberal Party Women's Committee, 165 W. 44th St., Room 1409, JEdison 3-1100.

### N.Y. Clerk Examiners Map Wide Campaign Activities

New York's clerk examiners and workers, at a well-attended meeting of Local 22 on Oct. 11, heard David Wein, assistant director of the ILOWU Political Department, discuss the issues of the election and stress the need to register to be able to vote.

## Midwest Unionists' Help Build Growing Stevenson Strength

The curtain is up on the political stage in Chicago, where ILGers are playing lead roles in the drama of political action, with Election Day less than a month away.

According to Vice Pres. Morris Bialis, Midwest regional director, the Stevenson-Kefauver parade of posters, buttons and stickers is growing daily.

Political rallies dot the agenda with the ILOWU Campaign Committee actively supporting Richard Sinegar for election to the U. S. Senate and States Attorney John Gunkelheim for reelection, in addition to the national slate of Stevenson and Kefauver.

### Election Rollies

At recent political gatherings, Local 5 heard Doug Johnson, assistant to Senator Paul Douglas, while the miscellaneous locals were addressed by Chicagoans who was also slated to speak at Chicago's clerk and dress pressers.

Elsewhere in the Midwest Region, Congressman Henry Reuss was scheduled to address a rally of the affiliate membership, while Congressman Charles McNamara will attend a membership meeting in Chicago Falls.

Harry Johnson, ILOWU representative in Wisconsin, reports that the ILOWU Campaign Committee is busy getting members registered, and is strongly supporting liberal candidates.



Madison Avenue gets a message from Mabel Fuller of Undergarment Workers' Local 62, during recent sound-truck stint.



EOT members of Locals 151-223 (New Haven, Conn.) are boosting Robert Gianno (holding paper) for Congress. At left is Mgr. Sam Janis.



Cutter Morris Levenson's support of Robert F. Wagner for U.S. Senate is bolstered by a handshake from the Mayor himself, as co-workers of Local 10 look on in Donnybrook Ltd. shop, New York.

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**STEVENSON.**



A gavel for the Yeap, presented by ILGWU in Allentown, Pa., is admired by Candidate Kefauver and Governor George M. Leader.



Float to get out the vote is attended by these Local 99 eye-fuhs as they distribute campaign buttons in New York with the reminders "Don't Be a Dummy — Register and Vote."





Curb service boosted registration percentage in Philadelphia, as special caravan accommodated garment workers lined up in front of Dress Joint Board building.



In tune with Stevenson, Wilkes-Barre's Min Matheson presents TV, as Joseph Clark (for Senate), Martin Murray and Cong. Dan Flood beam.

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Chicago garment workers greet Richard Stengel, Democratic candidate for U.S. Senator, during noon-hour rally in garment center.



ILGWU in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., sparks city-wide rally for Presidential candidate Adlai Stevenson during his recent campaign tour. Behind him is Pennsylvania's Gov. George M. Leader.



Bouquet for Adlai typified enthusiastic receptions for campaigning candidate by ILGWU affiliates all over the country.

# Mobilize Vote As Campaign News Home Secret Pa. Garment Thousands Acclaim Adlai and Estes

## SNOWSUIT WORKERS TO SEEK PEAK VOTE

### Cloakmakers intensify Last Lap of Campaign

Thousands of Pennsylvania garment workers last week turned out to give a rousing welcome to Adlai Stevenson, Estes Kefauver and other labor-backed candidates in their whistle-stop swings through the eastern part of the state.

Stevenson's sweep through the industrial areas started in Scranton, where by addressed a cheering throng of more than 12,000 in the city square.

In his speech, Stevenson lauded union members for their campaign activities, notable among which has been the work of Scranton garment workers' volunteer ILGWU campaign committee, to elect Stevenson and Kefauver.

Serving on the special escort committee for Stevenson were ILGWU Manager Harry Schilder and other leading local trade unionists.

#### Cheers for Adlai

Accompanying the Democratic Presidential nominee along the motor route to Wilkes-Barre were Pennsylvania's Governor George M. Leader and Joseph B. Clark, labor-backed candidate for U. S. Senate, and a motorcade of 100 cars.

The route usually started at 8 A.M. was lined with cheering housewives and workers, with ILGWU waving banners and wearing "ILGWU for Stevenson" armbands.

Through the Wyoming Valley District, from Duryea to Pottsville, on to Exeter and all the way to Wilkes-Barre, enthusiastic ILGWUers swelled the crowds which lined the streets.

Governor Leader especially lauded Wilkes-Barre District Manager Mtn Matheson for his effort of sparking the huge turnout of ILGWU members.

The reception accorded Senator Kefauver in his earlier swing through the area was no less enthusiastic. Altogether Local 111 girls greeted him at the Albion-Bethlehem-Easton airport, came garbed in especially-made Stevenson-Kefauver dresses, similar to the ones worn by more than 200 members of Johnstown Local 424 when they attended the recent Stevenson rally.

Accepting a gavel which ILGWU members presented him for use as the Senate's presiding officer, Kefauver asserted that "women will play a major part in the November vote... they can elect the President."

ILGWUers, meanwhile, continued their political activities through various channels, notable among

## '99' BEAUTIES AFLOAT TO SPUR REGISTERING

Members of Local 99 adorned the ILGWU's "Register and Vote" float which toured the garment center on Oct. 9. Local beauties on board included Rose Barrios, Rose Elaine Zuck, Louise E. Richards, Annemarie, June Kastenbaum, Virginia Lacy, Irma Pinner, Miriam de la Cruz, Marian Dunmore, Barbara Matheson, Gloria Julian and Christine Spencer.

Energetic campaign activities by scores of office and distribution workers in New York have been instrumental in establishing three Liberal Party clubs in neighborhood centers they did not exist, reports Shirley Appleton, local manager.

On all fronts, the Local 99 Campaign Committee is waging a most vigorous drive to help ensure a victory for liberal candidates, including house-to-house canvassing in the neighborhoods and distribution of Liberal Party literature in the garment center.

which is the Pennsylvania United Labor Committee functioning in the Harrisburg-Johnstown area and comprising several counties. The ULC includes all AFL-CIO unions as well as the United Mine Workers and some of the railway brotherhoods.

ULC coordinator for Somerset and Indiana Counties is ILGWU Business Agent Katherine Dewchick, while Martin Morand is co-chairman in Dauphin County.

## Political Note from West Virginia



Congressman M. G. Burnside, ILGWU-backed candidate for reelection from the 4th District, is flanked by West Virginia garment workers as they discuss campaign issues. Left to right are Beula Priddy, Rada Simmons, Burnside, Crystal Ingram and ILG staffer Grace McWhorter.

## Upper South Pinpoints Issues, Stresses Funds, Registration

Registration efforts, fund-raising campaigns, pinpointing of issues and distribution of voting records have yielded excellent results in the Upper South Department areas, reports Vice Pres. Angela Bambacher, department manager.

The drive to register all ILGWU members and their families in the tri-state area of Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia has been especially successful, results show. Although the final figures are not yet in, it is believed that approximately 70 per cent of the members have been registered.

Now, the garment workers' 1956 campaign committees are concentrating on raising funds for labor-supported candidates, dramatizing the issues, and distributing large quantities of election literature.

Three fund-raising buffet dinners have been arranged for Baltimore, Hagerstown and Cumberland, Md. The wide demand for tickets to these affairs indicate that a considerable amount of voluntary contributions will be collected to help the campaign of liberal candidates in these areas.

#### Vo. Radio Program

Meanwhile, in Virginia, all candidates have been invited to speak on the radio program conducted by Upper South Local 62 in Bristol. In addition, the program called "The Voice of the Garment Workers" has been featuring guest speakers, experts in various fields, to help clarify the issues.

In Washington, W. Va., garment workers are cooperating with the AFL and CIO Central

## Following up on its vigorous drive to get snowsuit workers, their relatives, neighbors and friends to register, the Local 100 Campaign Committee is now turning its attention

to mobilizing a maximum vote for Liberal-Democratic candidates on Election Day.

Manager Martin L. Cohen, who heads the campaign committee, said that the group which put literature urging registration into the home of every member as well as into the shops, would use the same technique for its get-out-the-vote drive. A special political bulletin will be mailed to all members at the end of this month.

Cohen reported also that voluntary contributions were pouring in steadily.

Heading into the final month of the election campaign, New York cloakmakers intensified their political activities along all fronts, capped by pre-registration shop chairmen's meetings in Manhattan and Brooklyn last week.

## Phila. ILG Voters Register in Shops

A preliminary tally of voluntary contributions to the Philadelphia Dress Joint Board's 1956 Campaign Committee indicates that collections this year will exceed those of previous years, reports Manager William Rosen.

Machinery for fund collection was set in motion at a recent organizational meeting sparked by an address by Joseph S. Clark, candidate for U. S. Senate from Pennsylvania.

According to Rosen, a significant percentage of the membership was registered in shops recently, in the course of the first registration-at-work program instituted in the state of Pennsylvania and initiated by the Philadelphia Dress Joint Board.

## OHIO CAMPAIGNERS AT CLEVELAND RALLY

Political activity on behalf of Stevenson and Kefauver reached its high-point in the Ohio-Kentucky Region at the rally by members of the Cleveland Joint Board and Kalligoods Council scheduled for Oct. 13, according to Vice Pres. Nicholas Kirman, director of the Ohio-Kentucky Region.

Several hundred Cleveland garment workers were expected to attend the rally, at which speakers included Chas. Peterson, liberal, pro-labor Democrat, Kirman, Louis Fried, manager of the Cleveland Joint Board, Bernadine Meade, manager of the Kalligoods Council, Louis Zeman and Meyer Berkman, joint board business agent, and Henry Glaser, organizer.

In Kentucky, Kirman reported, William Kaufman is serving as chairman of the Kentucky Labor Committee for Stevenson and Kefauver, and Robert Rose is assistant director of the Kentucky Volunteers for Stevenson and Kefauver. In Cincinnati, Julius Gurnick, recently appointed manager of the Cincinnati Joint Board, is heading garment workers' political efforts.

## Dress in Down-to-Wire Drive To Spur Registration Effort

The Dress Joint Board last week waged a down-to-the-wire registration among its 60,000 members in New York City. To spark the drive, some 40,000 City's huge dress industry were

asked to wear a "Let's All Register and Vote" sash, which served as personal reminders to all union members in the dress industry, the joint board distributed pocket-size cards containing information on registration.

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an overflow audience of more than 1,000 chairman and committee members on Oct. 1, representing 10,000 from Brooklyn cloak shops, heard a message from General Manager Isidore Nagler urging them to be sure that they, their fellow workers in the shops, and the members of their families register to vote.

Reminding the Brooklyn chairman and chairladies that there would be no lack of money for the Republican campaign, he explained that a small contribution from each worker could provide the necessary financial means with which to defeat the reactionaries and elect liberals. He called upon the active Brooklyn members to help collect voluntary contributions from all their shopmates for the "Cloakmakers' 1956 Campaign Committee."

The message from Nagler was brought to the meeting by Heron Henderson, assistant general manager, who emphasized to the chairman the need for dramatizing to the workers in the shops the close connection between their economic interests and political action.

Vice Pres. Benjamin Kaplan, manager of Local 117, recounted the gains achieved by Brooklyn workers through union organization in the past quarter century, and suggested that the workers play an active role in the political campaign. "A committee of one" to ensure a record registration and enrollment under the emblem of the Liberal Party.

#### Industry Review

Vice Pres. Howard Mossman, manager of Local 48, addressing the gathering in Italian, discussed the economic situation in the cloak industry in Brooklyn and called upon the members to play an active role in the political campaign.

The meeting was chaired by Samuel Jeldin, supervisor of the joint board's Brooklyn territory, who made a brief report on his office's activities.

A similar meeting was held the evening before for shop chairmen of the joint board's Industrial Council Department. The need for raising large voluntary contributions to finance labor's political campaign was stressed by Manager Alvin Miller and assistants Nat Windman and Harry Rosen.

Meanwhile, the Cloakmakers' 1956 Campaign Committee's shop-by-shop drive for voluntary contributions has moved into high gear. Cloakmakers are responding wholeheartedly to the appeal with the first week collections bringing in a sizable sum.

## Rainwear Workers Pass Fund Pledge

Spurred by some 10 shop committee activists, New York rainwear workers are busy raising donations, distributing election literature and raising voluntary contributions to finance labor's political campaign for the ILGWU 1956 Campaign Committee, reports Manager Joseph Kessler.

Voluntary contribution totals now certain in top previous parades, with more than \$100,000 already collected, which is double the amount pledged by rainwear workers at the start of the campaign.

## Carolina Cordon in Puerto Rico



When anti-union employer advertised for non-union workers in Carolina, Puerto Rico, these ILGWU members from Bro-Glo and Undergarment Accessories shops responded with picket signs. Signs read: "United We Will Win," "No Union, No Work," "Down With Exploiting Employers," "Join the Union," "In Union There is Strength."

## 1-Week Strike in Long Branch Adds C-M Sport to EOT Rolls

C & M Sportswear of Long Branch, N. J., has been converted from an open shop to a union shop after an intensive, one-week strike conducted by Local 85, reports Vice Pres. Israel Horowitz, general manager of the Eastern Out-of-Town Department.

Directed by Long Branch Business Agent Edward Hines and EOT staffer Burton Berezsky, organizational activities began when a new employer started operations in the premises of Tiny Tops, a unionized shop that had closed its doors after failing to pay its workers from one to two weeks' back wages.

While the efforts of the Long Branch local and EOT staffers resulted in an award of more than \$900 in back pay to the former workers of the defunct firm, the question of satisfaction of the new plant had to be settled on the picket line.

The new owner, offering employment to most of the former workers, promised that an agreement within the union would be signed within a few weeks. When it became evident that this promise would not be kept, all of the employees walked out in protest, under the leadership of Local 85, and began picketing the firm's premises.

### No Pact, No Work

Faced with an adamant refusal by the workers to work without a new agreement, the employer started negotiations with the union, and an agreement was reached soon.

Hours of work were reduced from 35 to 33, with piece workers receiving a compensating increase of 15 per cent on their weekly earnings and time workers receiving the same pay for 35 hours as they previously received for 40.

Paid holidays for both piece and work workers were fixed at three and one-half in 1956, and six and one-half in 1957. The company also agreed that the minimum for floor workers shall be at least 15 cents above the federal law, making the present minimum for non-skilled workers \$1.15 an hour.

### Severance Fund

In addition to standard health, welfare and retirement coverage, the employer has also agreed to pay weekly to the union a sum equivalent to 1 per cent of the gross weekly payroll toward a severance pay fund.

The company also assumed full cost of providing disability benefits without any deductions from workers' wages.

In accordance with the mandate

## PUERTO RICO ILG WINS FIRST BLOUSE PLANT AS BERGER INKS PACT

The ILGWU in Puerto Rico signed up its first blouse firm last month as the George Berger Co. penned an agreement with Local 600.

Robert Glanick, the island's organizing director, viewed the union victory as a significant step toward further inroads in Puerto Rico's blouse industry.

There is no doubt that the ILGWU is there to stay in the island, judging from the growing union sentiment on the part of Puerto Rico's ILGers.

In Carolina recently, a non-union firm tried to set up shop. When it advertised for non-union operators, ILGers were aware that their union conditions would be in jeopardy if a shop paying low wages began operating in the same town. So several hundred union members "responded" to the ad—but instead of letters of application, they brought picket signs which summed up their sentiments: "Carolina is a union town. . . . We don't want scab shops. . . . Join the ILGWU."

## Nebraska Launches Drive at Formfit

Southwest regional staffers have opened a drive to organize workers of Formfit Co., large underwear firm in Crete, Neb., reports Vice Pres. Meyer Perlstein.

Spurring the effort is Frank Rother, assistant Southwest regional director, with Ruby Hughes, Nebraska ILGWU representative, heading the push. Assisting her are Ruth Prof, of the Nebraska State Federation of Labor, and Caroline Kouba.

## Garment Workers Push Adlai-Estes Campaign

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ILGWU vice president who is also chairman of the council.

### Registration Fleet

New York has also set the pace with a stirring registration drive featuring the distribution of hundreds of thousands of pieces of printed matter and buttons, supervised by the ILGWU Political Department under its director, Gus Taylor.

Highlight of the city's registration work was a touring fleet of beautiful Local 99 "models" shown with fitting room manikins draped with old slogans: "Don't Be a Dummy — Register!"

In Philadelphia, the registration drive was carried into the shops, and a huge registration truck was stationed in front of joint board headquarters.

All locals with Spanish-speaking members have made special efforts to instruct these members on the importance and the manner of taking literacy tests, where this is necessary, in order to be eligible to vote.

### Huge Rallies

Garment workers in Wilkes-Barre, Allentown and other localities in Pennsylvania were the pace setters for huge rallies earlier this month at Adlai Stevenson and Eddie Kefauver toured through Pennsylvania.

Winding up this phase of his journey in New York, he received an enthusiastic greeting in a surprise tour down Seventh Ave.

On the West Coast, ILGWU members in Los Angeles turned out in great numbers to greet Estes

Kefauver at an outdoor rally in the heart of the garment center.

Throughout the country, ILGWU Campaign Committees are publicizing the Thursday evening broadcasts which the ILGWU 1956 Campaign Committee is sponsoring.

In a number of cases, meetings have been arranged around these broadcasts, so that the earlier part of an evening is spent discussing local issues with an audience prior to putting the radio program on the public address system.

## Saying It With Flowers



A corsage for Mrs. Herbert H. Lehman is only a symbol of the esteem Pres. David Dubinsky holds for the wife of one of the greatest liberal Senators New York State has ever known. Occasion was union-industry luncheon tendered in honor of Senator Lehman's retirement from public office.

## 5 Southwest Renewals Slate Sizable Pay Hikes

Four new Southwest pacts have been signed and a fifth agreement is pending, reports Vice Pres. Meyer Perlstein, regional director.

## Labor, UN, Dramas On Education Tap

The ILGWU Educational Department's Thursday night series of lectures will get under way Oct. 18, 6:15 P.M. in Room 504 at the union's Educational - Recreational Center, Yeshiva High School, 14th St., between Eighth and Ninth Aves.

Variety is the key to an agenda of topics on tap. According to Education-Department Secretary Fania Cohen, discourses will deal with such subjects as: changes in the structure of the AFL-CIO since the merger; labor and automation; structure and functioning of the union's out-of-town departments; what to expect from good plays and good news; social psychology and human behavior; the United Nations, and current events. A sports program and folk dancing instruction will follow the talks each week. The Saturday afternoon lecture series at Hunter College, Park Ave. and 49th St., will begin Oct. 20 at 1:15 P.M. in Room 1405.

## SOUTHWEST PARLEYS AT STREAMLINE CO. TACKLE TRIPLE SNAG

Union spokesmen opened talks with management of the Streamline Manufacturing Co. this month in an effort to resolve problems arising from a complaint of mispermanence of workers, the opening of a new zipper plant and production methods.

According to Vice Pres. Meyer Perlstein, Southwest regional director, the union is now considering the firm's offer of 5 per cent in back pay for piece workers.

In connection with the production problem, an arrangement was worked out whereby the union would assist the company in modernizing its methods so that workers will gain increased earnings as production is boosted.

At the same time, a date was set to discuss an agreement for the new zipper plant which Streamline is locating in West Frankfurt, Ill.

A second conference on these matters is slated to be held shortly.

Under Crugan's pension program, workers only have to wait until they are 50 to receive state retirement benefits.

Time workers in five plants operated by the Leveehead Manufacturing Co. won a 5-cent hourly boost, while cutters at the St. Louis and Cape Girardeau plants gained a 10-cent hourly hike. The company's other three shops are located in Mounds, Iled Bud and Sparks, Ill.

Wage hikes and upped minimums head the list of gains obtained in an agreement covering workers of the St. Croix, Wis., plant of Jeanette Frocks. The contract also provides for six paid weeks' amnesty, one and two weeks' paid vacation, the 35-hour work week and a number of other improvements.

Negotiating the pact: leaders for workers' ratification, shortly, were Minneapolis staffers Michael Finkestein and Dolores Johnson.

### Hillsboro Hikes

In a renewal with the Hillsboro Garment Co. of Hillsboro, Ill., workers' gains included wage increases and higher minimum wage scales, the 35-hour week, five paid holidays and one and two weeks' vacation. Negotiating the pact were staffers Frank Rother and Jerry Perlstein.

Workers at four shops of the Frances Gee Garment Co. (Kansas City, Richmond, Excelsior Springs and Hilginsville, Mo.) won improvements as a result of a new contract negotiated by the ILGWU this month. Among the gains were wage increases, higher minimums, the 35-hour week, six paid holidays, one and two weeks' paid vacations and health, welfare and retirement benefits.

### Slimaker Renewal

Similar gains are pending for employees of the Slimaker and Fashionmaker Corp. as a result of a tentative new agreement concluded between the union and the company whose shops are located in Kansas City, Mo., and Heaton, Kan. In Evansville, Ind., meanwhile, the union is paving the way to negotiations for a new contract with the Shans Uniform Co.

## AFL-CIO ETHICS UNIT AIRS CASE AGAINST 3

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cause why it should not be suspended because of being "dominated, controlled or substantially influenced" by corrupt individuals or groups; and the Allied Industrial Workers (formerly the AFL Auto Workers) and the Laundry Workers, against which reports of corruption have been heard.

### Right to Appeal

The union involved had full rights to appear at the hearings with any witnesses they felt might give pertinent testimony.

"At the proper time," the committee said, "there will be full disclosure of our recommendations, and they may be, and of the reasoning that led to these recommendations, so that the interested parties, union members and the general public will have the full knowledge of the committee's thinking and actions."

The committee's full membership list was announced, which was set at the hearings, which were held in AFL-CIO headquarters in Washington.

They were Chairman A. J. Hayes, president of the Machinery, George M. Harrison of the Railway Clerks, Pres. David Dubinsky of the ILGWU, Pres. Jacob M. Potofsky of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, and Pres. Joseph N. Curran of the Maritime Union. All are AFL-CIO vice presidents.

## Organizing, Negotiating Boost East Standards

Throughout the Northeast and negotiations are improving garment workers, reports Vice director. Highlighting the drive of an agreement with the Milliken Manufacturing Co. which had been the last unsigned plant of the "three" leasurers.

Workers at this plant were signed up by Harrisburg Local 108 less than a month ago, after a campaign conducted by Organizing District Ed Banya in conjunction with Field Supervisor Jack Halpern.

Under terms of the pact, the work-week was reduced from 40 hours, with a compensating 6 1/2 per cent wage increase. Minimums were raised, and the standard ILOUW health, welfare and retirement programs were included.

The plant's 100 workers were represented at negotiations held both in New York City and Milliken, Pa., by a committee consisting of Nathan Bron, Ruth Brumgard, Arlene Leitch (temporary secretary), Grace Heston, Laura Blum, and Velma Snyder. Dorothy Heckman is temporary shop chairman.

### Easton Gains

From the Boston area, District Manager Grace B. Birkl reports that underwarp plant agreements are being renewed with provisions for a 6 per cent increase across the board, 35 hours, higher health and welfare contributions, and improved minimums.

Among undergarment shops affected were Phil Springer Co. and Washington Manufacturing Co. of Washington, N. J.; M. M. Brucoleri & Son and Harry Daniels of Easton, Pa.; and Penn Jersey Textile Co. of Alpha, N. J. The Blue Valley Co. of Boston, managed by Pen Argyle, Pa., accepted similar terms for its 79 employees.

### Saratoga, Hazlelea

In Saratoga, Manager Harry Schneider reports a new pact with Wolf Manufacturing Co., children's dress plant, of which 25 employees, members of Local 106, won a reduction in hours to 35 and other standard improvements provided by the ILOUW contract. The wage clause may be repeated Jan. 2, 1957.

In addition, 1 per cent above piece rates was incorporated into the contract with Saratoga Sportswear of Hazlelea. Manager Ray Shore of Local 255 reports that other provisions include the 35-hour week and health, welfare and retirement fund contributions totaling 7 1/2 per cent of payroll.

### Allentown Newcomers

Three new shops welcomed the routine of Local 111 in Allentown last month. The lingerie plant of the Telasco Corp. in Pottstown accepted standard ILOUW contract terms, and in addition a 10 per cent above regular piece rate earnings and give a 5% increase to line workers. Red Fox Sportswear, a lingerie and miscellaneous garments producers, and the Millwright Manufacturing Corp. of Allentown agreed to a reduction in hours to 35 weekly and to all other standard ILOUW terms.

### L'Algoe Goes Union

The work-week transitioned to 35 hours and standards went up as the workers of L'Algoe Apparel

### Kirtman Resumes Duties in Ohio-Kentucky Region

Vice Pres. Nicholas Kirtman, director of the Ohio-Kentucky Region, was welcomed back to union duties at a staff meeting on Oct. 8. Kirtman, who was strikers with a record to the point where he is relieved permit resumption of limited duties.

Department, organization drives working conditions for numerous Vice Pres. David Gindgold, departed in Pennsylvania was conclusion

In Shippensburg, Pa., came under protection of an ILOUW contract for the first time. Harrisburg District Manager George Grubbs reports that this dress firm, which employs some 15 workers, has agreed to wages at least \$1.20 an hour, to bring health, welfare and retirement fund contributions up to a total of 7 1/2 per cent on Jan. 1, 1957.

## UNION MOURNS DEATH OF NATHAN MARGOLIS, '22' ASSISTANT MGR.

Nathan Margolis, assistant manager of the New York City Local 22, died Oct. 5 at Beth David Hospital after a lengthy illness. He was 63 years old.

Nearly a thousand friends and colleagues came to pay their last respects at funeral services held Oct. 7 in Riverside Chapel. Among the speakers who paid tribute to Margolis' long and devoted service to the union were Vice Pres. Charles S. Zimmerman, manager of Local 22, and Vice Pres. Julius Hochman, general manager of the New York City Joint Board.

Zimmerman recalled Margolis as an ideal example of the risk-and-flier who did as much to help build the ILOUW. A union planner, Margolis joined in 1918, the year of the cloakmakers' general strike. Zimmerman recalled that after recounting how Margolis had been in union affairs, serving on the executive boards of Locals 23 and 29, becoming chairman of Local 22, then manager in 1923. Zimmerman observed:

"No problem of the individual worker was too small for Nathan Margolis to set on. He always realized that no matter how little, the problem was always of utmost importance to the worker."

"Nathan was not only my assistant, he was also my associate and in many respects my advisor. His loss to our local—and to the joint board—will leave a great void. Yet few can boast of such deep devotion and confidence that the rank-and-file had in Nathan Margolis."

### Men of the People

Margolia, Vice Pres. Hochman said simply: "He was a saint in our midst. He was a man with goodness. There was no place in it for pettiness, for selfishness or any other form of vanity. Like all of us, he was simple. He was a man of the people. Kindness was his main weapon."

"Whatever he did, he did just deep good. He did nothing for us or for compensation. He did it because of the likeness and goodness of his heart. He did it because to us, he was as well as we."

In a message of condolence to Mrs. Rose Margolis, Pres. David Dubinsky wrote: "Shocked and grief-stricken at the death of your husband and our colleague, who served our union faithfully for so many years. This is a loss to our union as well as to your family. Extend our heartfelt sympathy and condolences."

Surviving in addition to Margolis' wife are two daughters, Mrs. Lena Grossman and Mrs. Edith Reiminger.

## 120 WORKERS ADDED TO ILG RANKS AS 3 FIRMS UNIONIZE

New agreements with three Miami firms this month brought ILOUW benefits to some 120 workers, Max Pfeiffer, Florida state director, reports.

In pacts penned with Billy Ann of Florida, Ace Embroidery and Shards of Miami, dress producers feature the 35-hour week, with time workers receiving the piece wages at 40 and 40 hours and piece workers getting a 12 per cent compensating boost. Employers' contribution of 4 per cent of payroll for vacation and holiday pay and other fringe benefits complement the agreements.

Retiring of the Florida Undergarment Co. to resume its contract the month resulted in a strike, involving some 15 workers. The pact terminated at the end of September, and when the employer indicated it was unwilling to sign a new one, the union had no other recourse but to strike.

### Winning Score

A recent charity baseball game and variety show, sponsored by a committee of which Max Weizer, shop chairman, raised more than \$200 for four welfare organizations.

Beneficiaries were the Variety Club's Hospital (\$10,000), Hospital for Children (\$10,000), Zaharias Cancer Fund (\$10,000) and Miami Community Chest (\$2,000-30).

## DELAWARE-TRENTON VOLUNTEERS RAISING FUNDS FOR ELECTION

Garment workers in the Wilmington-Trenton District mobilized their political forces last month in support of the Shuler-Schiffert ticket and other pro-labor candidates.

A special conference held in Trenton by Northeast District Locals 217 and 228, 80 shop chairmen and members pledged \$1,000 in contributions as they kicked off a drive to raise campaign funds.

They pledged further to bring the facts of the current political situation into their shops and communities.

Outlining the program of the ILOUW, Assistant Political Director David Wells stressed the importance of "having no political stone unturned" to assure victory in November.

Northeast Field Supervisor Jack Halpern led the gathering he was confident the union's efforts in the current campaign would prove productive and victorious in the recent minimum wage battle.

Dr. James Bloom, area medical director and North Jersey Branch Alfred T. Gustin also addressed the meeting where the following officers were installed by Manager John Jettin: Pres. Halpern and Secy-Treas. Stella Moschitto of Trenton Local 217; Pres. Mary Jane Howard of Local 228.

### School Settles

After a four-day strike against the School District Dress Co. an agreement was reached whereby the school would make its overdue payments to the health and welfare fund, maintain payments in the future and meet its payroll regularly. Negotiations were conducted by Halpern and Justin, assisted by Business Agent Mario Marcello.

### Prepare First Payments of Minneapolis Pensioners

Rules governing retirement pay to eligible workers in the Manager of women's garment industry were adopted at a recent meeting of the Minneapolis "commission," a body of 100 representatives of firms in that city. First pension payments are now being arranged.

## Start Dress Training Course To Meet Operator Shortage

Training courses for dress operators are being arranged under the co-sponsorship of New York Dressmakers' Local 22 and the Central High School of Needle Trades, Vice Pres. Charles S. Zimmerman announced at the local membership meeting on Oct. 3.

## Minimum Pay Rates Up in Puerto Rico

Recommendations for increases in minimum wage rates in a number of Puerto Rican apparel industries, reported previously in JUTICE, were put into effect Oct. 8. The new wage order, carries out recommendations of Special Industry Committee No. 25, on which Vice Pres. Charles Zimmerman, manager of Local 22, served as a labor member. Dr. Leanez Trejo, director of the ILOUW's Research Department, appeared as a witness on behalf of the union at the hearings.

Rate changes include children's dress and related products, 35 and 40 cents, up from 25 to 40 cents; 35 and 56 cents, up from 25 to 40 cents; and needlework and fabricated textile products, 40 to 77 1/2 cents, up from 35 to 47 1/2 cents.

## LOS ANGELES NAMES ZALKUS NEW ARBITER OF GARMENT TRADES

Labor and management this month hailed the designation of Ad G. Zalkus, pioneer Los Angeles coat and suit manufacturer, as the new impartial chairman of the Southern California ladies' garment industry.

Zalkus, who succeeds Dan A. West, was appointed unanimously by the board of union and management representatives following the recommendation of a special committee of which ILOUW Vice Pres. Samuel Otto was a member. Effective date of the change is Jan. 1, 1957.

With more than three decades of leadership in the garment industry, the new arbiter has been active in joint union-management projects and has established a notable reputation for his promotion of harmonious labor-management relations.

He has been an active leader of the National Coat and Suit Recovery Board since its inception in 1924 and represented the West Coast on the board's National Administrative Committee until 1954.

## STRESS PAY RAISES IN SEATTLE SPORTS AND SAN FRANCISCO

New agreements are being negotiated for sportswear workers in Seattle, Wash., and workers in the San Francisco miscellaneous garment industry, reports Vice Pres. Samuel Otto, Pacific Coast director, who visited those cities and attended both parleys.

Talks in Seattle are proceeding with representatives of the Needlecraft Manufacturers' Association, while San Francisco conferences are being held with the General Garment Manufacturers Association.

Edith Pratt, manager of Seattle Dressmakers Local 194, heads the local committee in the northwest city, while the Golden Gate negotiations will be conducted by a union committee headed by Vice Pres. Jennie Matyas and Ralph Halpern, local manager of the San Francisco Joint Board.

In talks with both associations, the union is seeking a substantial wage increase, better minimums, wages, an extra

These classes in apparel construction are planned to meet the shortage of operators, particularly in the high price lines. Manager Zimmerman indicated some 15 firms

New York is the center of better-line production. Zimmerman said, and pointed out that "a number of firms which formerly experienced with different price lines in other locations are now going into better price ranges, and are meeting in New York in their search for quality production."

"At the same time, we are experiencing a shortage of operators as a result of retirement of 'old timers,' most of whom are expert tailors and operators."

### Retraining Program

Therefore, we have worked out a program, in cooperation with the Central High School of Needle Trades, to start training courses for operators.

"To retrain workers from other crafts, such as finishers and cleaners, where there is a surplus of operators."

"To retrain operators from cheaper lines to make it possible to move into the better price range."

Union plans were made in cooperation with Needle Trades High School Principals Nathan Brown and the school will organize as many evening classes as are needed. Classes will start as soon as possible, with a minimum attendance of 25 and a maximum of 25 for each class.

Classes will meet twice a week, 6:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. Other sessions are being arranged to meet four times a week at the same time.

In addition to the long-range change in the New York market, Zimmerman also cited the improved fall season and the increased need for operators. "This season was better because of the early shiftings," he said, "which allowed for more production and an increase in re-orders. The fall experience may be repeated this season."

## Emanuel Flax Monument To Be Unveiled Oct. 28

A memorial monument for Emanuel Flax, business agent of the New York City Needleworkers' Local 142, will be dedicated Oct. 28 at 11 A.M. at Riverside Cemetery near E. 47th Street. Transportation from New York City will be arranged by Local 142.

## Skirmishers Start Class In English for Hispanics

New York Skirmishers' Local 22 will start its seventh year of classes in English for Spanish-speaking members Oct. 23, at its office, 22 West 38th St. Sessions, beginning at 6 P.M., will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays thereafter.

The local is planning a Saturday visit to United Nations headquarters in New York City, and is sponsoring the tour through the assistance of Director Aaron Pankin promptly.

week's vacation pay, holiday for all workers, time and a half for overtime for piece workers as well as time workers, and several other improvements.

During October, Otto will also visit Salt Lake City, Utah, to negotiate a contract renewal with the Film Manufacturing Co.

## CUTTERS COLUMN

### Sen. Lehman Heads Speakers At Cutters' Rally on Oct. 29

Participation by cutters in the current political campaign will reach its peak on Monday, Oct. 29 when the local's regular membership meeting will be turned into a campaign rally for the Stevenson-Kefauver-Wagner ticket, with addresses by Senator H. Lehman and other prominent speakers.

Scores of active members and officers have been boosting the Liberal Party campaign in various boroughs throughout the city. Vice Pres. Moe Falkman, manager of the local is serving as chairman of cutters' political activity in Manhattan. Assistant manager Max Goldenberg is heading up the cutters' drive in the Bronx, and Secretary Harry Shure and Abe Degen are in charge of activity in Brooklyn and Queens, respectively.

A large number of cutters have responded to the local's appeal for volunteers, and their services will be utilized in canvassing, distributing literature and other activities.

As a member of the Trade Union Council of the Liberal Party, Vice Pres. Moe Falkman recently stated that Local 19 members take an active part in Liberal Party affairs not only during campaigns but all through the year.

#### District Clubs

In Manhattan, Sam Tobin and Leo Silverman are chairman of the 4th and 21st Assembly District clubs, respectively. In Brooklyn, Fred Ratney and Moe Berwick are co-chairmen of the 21st and 31st Wicks are chairman of the combined 5th and 13th A.D. clubs, while Harry Stiefel heads the Brighton Beach Club. In Queens, Edward Pascal and Frank Rizzo are chairmen of the 10th and 13th A.D. clubs, respectively, and Abe Degen heads up the 7th A.D. Club and is also treasurer of the county organization. In the Bronx,

#### CUTTERS' LOCAL 10 REGULAR MEETING and CAMPAIGN RALLY Monday, Oct. 29 Manhattan Center, 34 St. & 3rd Ave. Right After Work

Max Goldenberg is the leader of the Cutters' Liberal Party Club.

Five members of Local 10, headed by Manager Falkman, are also members of the State Executive Committee of the Liberal Party. Cutters have been generous not only with their contribution of time and effort but also with funds.

Voluntary contributions to the Cutters' 1956 Campaign Committee have been mounting steadily. Over \$5,000 has been contributed by members to the cloak and dress campaign committee. Altogether, the total is expected to reach \$16,000.

#### Season's Stretches

Despite heightened interest in the campaign, regular union activity is proceeding in the normal way. Activity has been steadily maintained at a high level in the shops, but some slackening of pace was becoming evident. However it is less than at the same time last year, indicating that the season will wind up ahead of last year's.

## Invoke Arbitration in S'West On Vacation, Welfare Monies

The Southwest Regional Office last week began arbitration proceedings as a result of the failure of the Fine Dress Co. of Minneapolis to pay vacation benefits to workers and to meet its obligation to the health and retirement fund, reports Vice Pres. Meyer Perlstein.

The firm recently began liquidating its business, but has neglected to wipe the slate clean as far as its contractual responsibility is concerned. The company owes the welfare fund more than \$1,000. Hyman Edelman, Minneapolis attorney, was named arbitrator.

At New York, in St. Louis, the Associated Garment Industries has directed employer members to pay 60 eligible workers their vacation week's vacation pay, in accordance with an arbitrator's ruling.

In addition, talks with individual manufacturers have been arranged to settle disputes involving 25 workers who failed to receive their 1956 vacation pay.

Another firm—the Samba Mann—

#### Dedicate Freedman Room At Deborah Sanatorium

Local 66 dedicated a room at the Deborah Sanatorium last month to the memory of Zachary Freedman, the late head of the Bonnas Embroiderers, Tuckers, Slicthers and Pleasers Union. Freedman died last year after more than 40 years of service to the labor movement.

Present at the ceremony in Bronx Mills, N. J., were members of the family, officers and members of Local 66 and ILOUW representatives, including Local 66 Manager Murray Gross, Vice Pres. Charles Zimmerman, chairman of the Trade Union Committee for Deborah Sanatorium, and Vice Pres. Louis Nelson, manager Knitgoods Local 138.

## Push for Wage Boosts In Chicago Dress Talks

Increases in the minimum scales for piece workers topped the slate of union demands as contract talks got under way last month with the Chicago Association of Dress Manufacturers.

According to Vice Pres. Morris Blais, Midwest regional director, the union is seeking lower rates in the minimums for operators, finishers, pressers, and base scales ranging from \$40 to \$73 a week for time workers in the negotiations just started.

Other demands include a general wage hike, an upward adjustment in the employer's contribution to the health and retirement funds, establishment of a severance pay fund and unionization of shipping clerks.

The first conference produced no results, and a second session has been scheduled. Although the contract expired Oct. 1, work in the industry is continuing uninterrupted while talks proceed.

#### Tailors' Talks

Negotiations also are under way in other sectors of the Chicago garment market. Ladies' Tailors Local 208 has held several conferences with three major firms—Williams Vogue, Saks Fifth Avenue and Martha Weathered. Talks are continuing, with the union seeking a general wage increase, among other gains.

Embroidery Workers' Local 212 is also in the midst of parleys for a new contract. Agreements between Local 54,

#### 15-Day Halt Wins New Bedford Firm

A successful 15-day strike opened the eyes of a "sleepy" nightwear manufacturer in New Bedford, Mass. this month. As a result, the Harold Manufacturing Co. signed a standard union agreement providing 120 employees with these improvements:

A general 6 per cent wage increase, higher minimums, reduction of the work week, paid holidays and health, welfare and retirement benefits.

The workers are now members of Local 361.

Tension mounted at the plant when the employer refused to recognize the union, according to Vice Pres. David Olmgold, director of the Northeast Department. Subsequently, a worker was fired for union activity, the fuse was lit and workers struck.

Leading the unionizing drive and strike were Massachusetts Organizing Director Ralph Roberts and Southern New England District Manager Frederick Stern, assisted by their staffs. Stern also headed negotiations, signing Harold employees' first ILOUW contract.

Raincoat Workers, and the Men's Raincoat Co. and the UHO Manufacturing Co. expire in November, and the union is now paring the way for contract renewal talks.

Conducting the parleys for Locals 208, 212 and 14 are Manager George Paris and Jack Rubin, administrative secretary of Chicago's illustrious locals.

#### Jolly Drive

The Midwest organizing staff in Michigan has launched a hard-hitting, full-scale drive at Jolly Kids Toys, children's wear manufacturer with plants in Belding, Kalamazoo and South Haven. William Davis, ILOUW Michigan representative, is heading the campaign.

## TORONTO CLOAK UNIT MAKES MAJOR INROAD IN LINGERIE INDUSTRY

Organization of a large lingerie firm in Toronto last month marked another significant union inroad into that industry, reports Toronto Manager Sam Kraisman. Earlier this year, an important entry on the union scoreboard was made when a shalable lingerie outfit signed with the union.

Now the latest organized firm in Toronto has been certified by the Canadian Labor Relations Board, and contract talks with the company are under way.

Meanwhile, the industrial picture in both sportswear and cloaks continues bright. Sportswear Local 198, about to open contract renewal talks with the employers' association, will include demands for a wage increase, the 35-hour week and severance pay.

In the cloak trade, which has picked up considerably this season, the volume of production is exceeding that of the last full season. Notable, too, is the increased attendance at union meetings.

Although the cloakmakers' contract terminates in June 1957, the union is already considering demands to be sought in negotiations for renewal of the agreement.

Toronto's unions will become part of one great parent organization this week with the merger of the AFL and CIO councils. Each local of the Toronto Joint Board has elected delegates, so that the ILOUW will be fully represented.

## BOOK FRONT

by Miriam Spiceland

## Exciting Dining At Your Table Via UN Recipes

**FAVORITE RECIPES FROM THE UNITED NATIONS.** Edited by the American Home Economics Association, U. S. Committee for the United Nations. \$1.50 and \$1.

This is the kind of book you can eat up page by page—literally. We read it in the kitchen and tested it at the dining room table, and found it a work full of exotic adventures and dishes.

For this is a handy cook book with 170 recipes from all of the 75 nations that are members of the United Nations. All the recipes have been



tested to make certain that all ingredients are obtainable domestically.

There are pastries and meats and other main dishes, soups, breads and salads, as well as strange desserts and unheard-of wines. There are dishes from Persia and from India and from Latin America.

This is a grand adventure book, and it makes for exciting eating as well as exciting meals. Try it the way we did, using meal and the dining room table and the kitchen stove as the means for traveling around the world.

Why not make your Monday night meal a South American feast? Or spend the Tuesday and Wednesday night meals preparing gastronomically, that is—around Asia. Or try a United Nations meal: La-Uchitas (Bolivia) for appetizer, Szatki Po Krakowu (Poland) as a main dish, a Gado-gado (Indonesia) salad on the side and some Pyramtackes (Norway) for dessert.

Finally, as Eleanor Roosevelt points out on the cover of the book, "to take dishes from every UN country is one of the ways to bring about better international understanding."

The book which is priced at \$1.50, it may be obtained for \$1 from ILOUW Book Division, 2710 Broadway, New York 10.

## INTENSIVE CAMPAIGN IN UPSTATE N.Y. AREA

Months of tireless and effective organizing work in Upstate New York moved into high gear as three shops signed first agreements covering some 225 employees, reports Northeast Department Field Supervisor Jack Kohn.

After lengthy sessions with employers, union negotiators brought Hanover Manufacturing Corp. and American Sportswear of Amsterdam, and Cooperstown Dress Co. of Cooperstown into the union fold.

District Supervisor Alvin Karoly states that the newly-organized employees obtained increased minimums for both time and piece workers, health, welfare and retirement fund benefits paid holidays, time and a half after 35 hours.

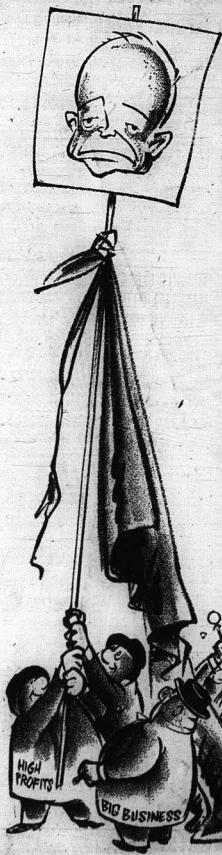
At the Hanover plant, the firm's vice president, Morris Kravchik has announced that another 100 employees will be added to the payroll as the firm expands during the next year.

At Amsterdam, Business Agent Steve Kakale and Organizer Leon Aaron handled the organization work, for Local 66 and at Cooperstown Business Agent James Beluze was in charge for Local 310.

## Patchwork Production Is Blanket Task



ILOUW retirees from St. Louis pitch in to patch up an interesting pattern for this quilt they are making for their annual bazaar to be held Oct. 25. They are shown here at Southwest Regional Office.



## THEIR BANNER . . .

**MR. EISENHOWER** last week staunchly defended the big businessmen who have helped him run the country. He is fully satisfied, said the President, with the way they have exercised the powers he has delegated to them.

This means that a vote for Eisenhower is also a vote for the company he keeps. Even those who remain convinced that Ike—like their own fathers—can lick any bully in the world, are not as certain now as they were four years ago that the crew of corporation lawyers and advertising-agency executives comprising his team are rendering public service beyond the call of private interest.

Now Mr. Eisenhower's boosters must contend with the Republican record of the past four years. The promises and platitudes that helped them win a victory four years ago have lost their tranquilizing effects, and their insistence that all's well with the world has become increasingly hollow.

But Ike's smile hasn't changed, and Republican master-minds realize that it remains their most potent political asset. He has beamed his smile while his Secretary of State has taken us to the brink of war, where we still occasionally totter. He has beamed his smile while his Secretary of Commerce has helped shape tax reforms that are a blessing to big business—but to hardly anyone else. He smiles on while living costs rise, schools bulge to bursting, farmers sink deeper into debt, the cost of health care increases, and his Secretary of Labor, unheeded and unheard, chants: "Change Taft-Hartley . . .!"

The millions of dollars that come pouring into Republican campaign coffers are being used to put that smile before the American electorate once again in an effort to build confidence that somehow, with Ike up there on Pennsylvania Avenue, we shall come smiling through.

But under the banner of that smile—the smile of a charming and sincere American—march the forces of big business. Under Republican rule they already have grabbed vast domains of public resources for private exploitation. Even in good health, President Eisenhower preferred to delegate authority to others and to keep the chores of his own leadership at a minimum.

On Nov. 6, Americans will have to decide whether they wish the leadership of this nation to remain in the hands of these businessmen and their eager buddy, Vice President Nixon, or whether they prefer to have it turned over to Adlai Stevenson, who has been travelling up and down the land warning that in these trying times smiles are not enough, and that the government of this nation must once again be devoted to the improvement of the general welfare of all the people.